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NILES LIBRARY ASSOCIATION HAS MEETING

Present Board of Library Trustees Is Reelected.

The Niles Free Library Association held a meeting last Wednesday at the call of the directors, J. C. Shinn, G. L. Donovan, M. B. Sneden, Mrs. Chittenden and W. H. Ford for the transaction of such business as should come before it.

The meeting was presided over by J. C. Shinn. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and the report of the lessee, C. Runckel of the library building was also read. Following came the report of the Chairman of the Committee on By-Laws, Mrs. J. E. Thane. A number of changes were adopted, among them a reduction in the monthly dues from 25c to 10c per member.

Following this Mr. C. H. Green of the Oakland Library was called upon. He stated for the benefit of those present the plan of the County Branch system, that a yearly appropriation of $15,000 had been made by the Board of Supervisors to run the County branches, and they were conductedb y the Oakland Free Library.

In his remarks he stated that owing to the attacks made upon the County officials in the Washington Press, it was [illegible] to discuss Mrs. Runckel [illegible]ian. This [illegible] approved unanimously endorsed the [illegible]rarian and went on record as strongly opposed to such action by the Oakland Board. It was voted that the Trustees should meet with the Oakland Board and vigorously protest against the removal of the present librarian.

Mrs. Runckel followed Mr. Green with a statement as to the standing given the Niles Library by Chief Mary Barmby who had on many occasions called the Niles County Branch her banner library, and on all occasions had expressed her entire satisfaction with the condition of the library and the work here done by the librarian.

The discussion brought out the fact that politics had never been in any way injected into the Niles library until the present demand made by some of the County officials.

The following board of Trustees was re-elected: J. C. Shinn, G. L. Donovan, W. H. Ford, Mrs. Chittenden, M. B. Sneden.

Those present were: Mr. C. Greer, Miss Mary Barmby, Mesdames Ford, Thane, Hudson, Chittenden, Moore, Barnard, Donovan, Runckel; Messrs. Rood, Ellsworth, Moore, Barnard, Richards Thane, Ford, Donovan, Sneden, Simpson, Smith, Clarke, Zeidler, Shinn, Runckel.

Osborne-Teeter

Mr. William Teeter, brother of Mrs. N. M. Crane and Miss Myrtle Osborne of Livermore were united in marriage on Monday of this week and returned to Niles of Tuesday to make their home here. The groom had in readiness the Garcia house on First street. Although both young people are comparative strangers in Niles, they are welcomed and are receiving sincere wishes for happiness.

MYSTERY SOCIAL TAKES PLACE ON JANUARY 31

The Mystery Social, to be given by the Ladies Guild, has been set for Friday evening, January 31st. There will be no further change in date. The ladies are interested in making it a success, and a generous attendance is hoped for.

Niles Chamber of Commerce Meets

Hobo Drive Suddenly Stopped.—Other Business.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Niles Chamber of Commerce was held last Tuesday evening.

The committee on celebration of the completion of the Niles bridge consisting of Messrs Ellis, Mason and Rood was given further time.

L. W. Rood who was a committee of one to wait upon the Board of Supervisors to ask for additional police protection for Niles reported that he had called upon Supervisor Murphy but that official seemed to think that Niles had been faring quite well in official favors during the recent past Mr. Rood deemed it advisable not to press the matter, especially as the bridge was so near completion. On motion the committee was discharged and the great Hobo drive came to a sudden end.

A committee consisting of E. A. Ellsworth, L. W. Rood, and J. B. Barnard was appointed to aid the secretary in collecting dues.

The application of C. M. Laws for membership was received and Wm. Moore was elected to membership.

The next regular meeting night, Feb. 4 was announced as nomination night.

It was decided to make a strenuous effort to clear up all the indebtedness of the Chamber by the next regular meeting.

A communication from J. D. Branner, Division Supt. in answer to a letter of the Chamber stated that the annoyances complained of would be remedied at once.

NEW ELECTRIC LIGHT [illegible] POWER CO.

The Sierra and San Francisco Light and Power Company, which recently built a tow r line from the San Joaquin Valley through Livermore and over the Mission hill to Alviso, Santa Clara County, is now building a sub-station at Alviso. The foundation of the building has been laid and the construction work on the main building is now going on. The construction work is under the supervisoin of Mr. Campbell who is in charge of the present line from Livermore to Alviso and who will probably have charge of the sub-station at Alviso when it is completed.

The company is reported as contemplating the building of a line from Alviso to Oakland and expects o supply Washington township and the surrounding communities with light and power in the very near future.

Rodcrigues-Guisti

On Monday morning in the Catholic church in Niles Miss Grace Rodcrigues and Mr. Carlo Guisti both of Niles were united in marriage. The bride has grown up in our midst and is a sweet and charming character. The groom is also a resident of Niles being in the employ of the Oakland Paving Brick Co. They will make their home in Niles where they have many friends who are wishing them long years of happy wedded life.

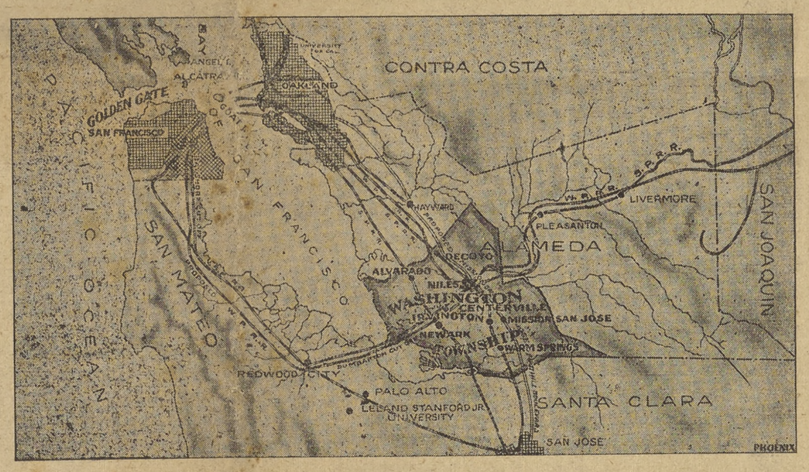
ALAMEDA LODGE INSTALLS OFFICERS

Alameda Lodge No. 167, F. & A. M. held its regular annual installation of officers last Saturday evening, Jan. 18. The following is a list of the officers installed.

Eugene N. Babb, W. M.
Arthur W. Haley, S. War.
Elmo M. Grimmer, J. War.
Peter C. Hansen, Treas.
Arthur T. Biddle, Secty.
Henry W. Emerson, Mar.
Philip A. Ellis, Chaplain,
Franklin B. Hartman, S. Deacon
George F. Sullivan, J. Deacon
James B. Chamberlin, S. S.
Elon A. Ormsby, J. S.
Louis M. Juhl, Tyler.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP

A Review of Its Resources and Agricultural Possibilities.



MAP OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, ALAMEDA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.

By CHRIS RUNCKEL

Secretary of Associated Chambers ofCommerce of Washington Town ship.

The following article descriptive of Washington Township and its resources was written for the report of San Francisco in the Hetch Hetchy hearing and is incorporated in the report made by Engineer Freeman. We believe our readers will find something in it of interest:

LOCATION

It is situated on the eastern shore of San Francisco bay in the widest part of the bay plain, midway between Oakland and San Jose.

ADVANTAGES

A study of the accompanying map will show the superior advantages of the township and the possible de[illegible] the future [illegible]ng it easy acc[illegible] qu[illegible] transportation to both Oakland and San Francisco. An electric line is projected and will be built before 1915. In addition to this there is an undeveloped water frontage with a 45 foot depth of water, sufficient to accomodate the largest sea going vessels and opening possibilities of communicaiton with the entire commercial world. The township has the best highways in California. They are already being utilized by autotrucks for the delivery of our products to the near-by markets.

AREA AND LAND VALUES

It comprises an area of 169 square miles, the main part of which is an extremely fertile bay plain. A conservative estimate of the present value of the property of the township exclusive of its hill section is $15,000,000. Land ranges in value from $200 to $800 an acre, land planted to orchard or alfalfa being the highest.

FERTILITY OF SOIL

Practically the entire plain is made up of the rich alluvial washings, from the hills, which rest directly upon the underlying gravel in the Niles-Centerville section and upon alternate strata of clay and gravel in the Decoto -- Alvarado -- Newark section.

CLIMATE

Its climate is one of the most equable in the world. The mean annual temperature covering a record of eighteen years was 64.9 degrees. Lowest mean annual for the same period, 60.3 degrees; lowest monthly mean, 47 degrees; highest monthly mean, 85,5 degrees. Average rainfall for 15 seasons, 20.306 inches.

POPULATION

The township had a population of 8000 people according to the census of 1910. It comprises eight villages; namely, Alvarado, Centerville, Decoto, Irvington, Mission San Jose, Newark, Niles, and Warm Springs. With the exception of Mission San Jose all are situated on the bay plain. Every part of the township is growing. An evidence of this growth is the erection of two new school buildings, cost $20,000 each, in Niles and Centerville, and two other districts preparing to do the some. Another evidence of the prosperity of the township is the aggregate resources of its local banks on Feb. 16, 1912, amounting to $1,374,-118.72. All these banks have been established during the past ten years.

RESOURCES

Owing to the splendid transportation facilities and the introduction of motor vehicles and the nearness to the big population center the township is rapidly becoming a suburban residence section. Manufacturing is also on the increase but the main resource is farming.

AGRICULTURE

The township is at present one of the most fertile regions in California. In the early history of the State it was given over almost exclusively to the production of hay and grain. With the growth of the great urban population within an hour's distance, and aided by the character of its soil and its equable climate, it has passed to the stage of fruit growing and now to even more intensive farming.

TRUCK PRODUCTS

Duri[illegible] the year of 1911 there was [illegible] 25,840 tons of mixed vegetables such as tomatoes, green corn, etc., aggregating in value $439,017. This does not include what was hauled out by wagon and auto-truck, nor does it include the home consumption. Most of this was produced without irrigation. With the increase of pumping plants and by means of irrigation the value of this crop will speedily increase.

One fact that has become noticeable, however, that ought to be kept in mind is that since the People's Water Company at Alvarado which supplies Ookland has increased its pumping capacity the growth of some of the most valuable truck products in the Alvarado section has been materially interfered with. If this company increases its output and the Union Water Company at Newark is permitted to develop a further supply, irrigation will become a necessity of the present output is maintained.

FRESH MILK

The production of fresh milk for the near-by cities has within the past three years practically trebled. The present (June) output is 5250 gallons a day, and the present yearly output (1912) will amount to 2,-000,000 gallons, valued at $300,000. At present the bulk of this milk is produced along what was formerly the artesian belt which produces from four to five crops of alfalfa without irrigation. With the cheap electric power for pumping now at hand, the underground water supply promises to vastly increase the area that will be given over to the development of fresh milk. The development of this industry naturally depends upon the ability of our people to draw liberally from the underground water for irrigation of the alfalfa crop. At the present rate of increase the value of our milk output within the next five years ought easily to double in value.

FRUIT GROWING

The township at present is one of the most favored apricot and cherry sections in the State. Prior to the diversion of water by the Spring Valley Water Company in 1888 the peach crop about the Niles section was particularly profitable. With the recession of the underground water table, the peach production has practically become extinct and irrigation for the other crops has even been found to become a necessity. Even with conditions as they are the output of fruit last year (1911) totaled over $150,000.

BERRIES

With irrigation the production of berries can be greatly increased. This has been demonstratd during the past year by the 50 acre Niles Strawberry Farm which produces some of the finest berries in the State.

NURSERY PRODUCTS

The marked productiveness of the California Nursery comprising 600 acres has been made possible through the foresight of a previous owner who refused to part with his water rights. Without irrigation this extremely valuable output, comprising all temperate and semi-tropical plants would be seriously crippled. ....The important relation of the water supply to the possibilities of this section from an agricultural standpoint is here well illustrated.

1911 CROP EXPORT

The crop export of Wash[illegible] Township reaches close upon one and one-half million dollars annually. The following figures are based upon a tabulation of the shipments for 1911. The one exception is that for hay and grain which is estimated as much of [illegible] is required for home consumption.

	Estimated Value
Truck Products, 25,840 tons, ...	$429,017.
Milk, 2,000,000 gallons	300,000.
Hay and Grain (Not Included in Dairying)	250,000.
Fruit	150,000.
Nursery Products (Estimated)	200,000.
Sugar Beets, 11,323 tons....	56,615.
	$1,385,632.

To this total must be added the vegetables, milk and fruit used by the entire population of the township as well as miscellaneous products not classified here, in order to form a true estimate of the section's productiveness.

PROBABLE INCREASE IN PRODUCTION

Much of the land is still held in large tracts which when subdivided (now in progress) and given over to intensive cultivation with the aid of irrigation wll easily double in value the present output.

VALUE OF WATER SUPPLY

The only source of water now available is the underground supply annually reprenished by the flood waters of the Alameda Creek. Practically every farmer owns and operates his own well on his own farm. With the recent advent of several electric lines the facilities for pumping for irrigation have been cheapened and as a result every part of the district is installing pumping plants for this purpose. The depth to water although greater than formerly is still between 60 and 75 feet in most places, keeping the cost of pumping within a reasonable figure. With irrigation increasing every available drop of water in the underground supply will be needed. The township's future prosperity depends entirely upon the conservation of its water supply. To further divert it to other sections would be ruinous. What is already being diverted should be restored if this section is to attain the full realization of its destiny. That destiny is an intensively cultivated region, made up of small farms and suburban homes in one of the most favored situations in the entire world. With the proper conservation and utilization of its resources it will easily sustain a population many times greater than now inhabits it.

WILL INSTALL TRACK SCALES AT NILES

Southern Paci$c Company Making Other Changes.

The Southern Pacific company is putting in a big track scales in its yard at Niles. The scales will have a weighing capacity of 50 tons and will be used principally in measuring the gravel from the two Niles gravel plants. The scale will be placed on a concrete foundation two feet thick. It will take something like 100 cubic yards of concrete for the work.

The removal of the iron posts further from the track will considerably curtail the room for automobiles at the station.

Surveyors were again at work this week on the Niles Wye. There is no indication that the company will begin the reconstruction of the Wye at once but it is believed that with the laying of the heavy rails from Oakland to Niles and the strengthening of the Niles railroad bridge the company will soon enter upon the work in the Niles yard. A subway at the Walpert crossing is among the various changes to be made.

A force of nearly 100 laborers is now at work laying the heavy steel rails. For the past week their headquarters have been on the siding at Decoto.

DEATH OF RUELL CHASE

The sad news of the death of Ruell Chase at St. Luke's hospital came to his friends in Niles on Sunday evening. All the means known to [illegible] to keep him for his loved ones and friends. The funeral was held on Wednesday morning from the I. O. O. F. Hall, Niles, under the auspices of the I. O. O. F. and the N. S. G. W. The beautiful service of Odd Fellowship was read by the Noble Grand J. B. Barnard and Chaplain J. E. Jacobus of Niles Lodge, I. O. O. F. Rev. F. V. Jones offered prayer and in most fitting words spoke of the departed one's goodness, kindness, and gentleness. "Abide With Me" was impressively rendered by a male quartette composed of Messrs. H. R. Hunt, P. A. Ellis, J. C. Shinn, and G. L. Donovan, with Mrs. P. A .Ellis at the piano. As a fitting tribute to the memory of Mr. Chase a large body of his brothers in the I. O. O. F., N. S. G. W., I. O. F., andW. O. W, formed an escort for the funeral party. The following were the pall bearers, and honorary pallbearers:— G. O. Darrow, H. R. Hunt, A. B. Hill, I. Richards, Geo. Moore, A. Kell, Mrs. Barnard, Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. Drennan, Mrs. Bliss, Mrs. Fournier and Mrs. Simpson.

As symbols of love for the departed and sweet messages of sympathy for those so sorely bereaved were the offerings of friends and brothers of the different and sistres of the of the different fraternities.

With the passing of Ruell Chase to the [illegible]e beyond, the earth is bereft of a good man. And though a few years of separation are the lot of his loved ones and friends, the memory is sweetened by his life of gentleness, kindness and goodness to all with whom he associated.

CARD OF THANKS

We herewith desire to express our sincere and heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the many friends and acquaintances, and especially the following orders: Niles I. O. O. F. No. 382, Niles Encampment, 62; Niles Rebekah Lodge, 336; Old Mill Camp, W. O. W., 220; Niles Parlor, N. S. G. W., 250; Court Golden West, I. O. F., 1746; Hazel Circle Women of Woodcraft, 598; and Laura Loma Parlor, N. D. G. W., 182; for the many acts of kindness and loving sympathy, and the beautiful floral offerings tendered during the sad hours of our late bereavement.

Mrs. Geneva T. Chase,
Mrs. G. R. Tucker,
Mr. A. R. Hooker,
Mr. C. V. Chase,
Mr. and Mrs. Daniel P. Chase,
Mr. and Mrs. Wilber R. Chase,
Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Burke,
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Blodgett,
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Rutherford
Mrs. E. Morf and son.

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SQUIRREL EXTERMINATORS ARE EXTERMINATED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

(From the Oakland Enquirer.)

The discovery that while the squirrels hibernated, four "exterminators" have sat in ease, smoked their pipes and drawn down $400 each month for the past four months, resulted this morning in the passage by the board of supervisors of a resolution, introduced by Supervisor F. W. Foss, declaring vacant the positions of Rodant Exterminators for Alameda county held by M. C. Mulqueeney, P. C. F. Lowrie, C. H. Rathbone and E. F. Calaghan.

The hibernating season commenced about four months ago and since that time, it is declared, it has been a life of ease both for the squirrel and his sworn enemies. In factit is alleged that the exterminators have proven themselves to be just as efficient hibernaters as the rodants themeslves.

The matter was brought to the at- by Supervisor Joseph Kelly. Foss lost no time in introducing the necessary resolution.

A program presented by Henry H. Myers, advisory architect for obtaining competetive plans and specifications for the new county infirmary and hospital was adopted by the board of supervisors this morning.

WILL BUILD NEW BRIDGE

The Southern Pacific company has a crew of men at work with a pile driver driving piles to give additional protection to their bridge across Alameda Creek. After the rainy season is over the company expects to replace a number of the present piers.

AT THE CHURCHES

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES

Evening services held regularly at St. James Episcopal church on the first Sunday of each month. Services will be held at eight o'clock.

NILES CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH SERVICES

Regular services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, and evening at 7.45

Sabbath school at 10 o'clock Sunday morning.

C. E. service in the evening at 6.30.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7.45. A most cordial invitation is extended to all of these services.

CENTERVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SERVICES SUNDAY

Services Sunday morning as usual at 11 o'clock.

Sabbath school will be held at 10 a. m. Everybody welcome.

NEWARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SERVICES

Sabbath school at 9.50.

Regular worship at 11. Preaching by pastor. C. E. at 6.30. Evening worship at 7.30.

TRINITY CHURCH MISSION

Divine Service will be held in the Guild Hall, Niles, every Sunday at 3.30 o'clock, except on the first Sunday of each month when it will be at 11 o'clock and the Holy Communion will be administered.

All are cordially invited to attend.

Why We Oppose the Water District.

THE PRESS advised those residents of our township who live in the section about Alvarado not to sign the petition recently circulated. When it comes to an election we will vigorously urge that our people vote against going into the proposed district. Under the present law each city or unincorporated district must vote iteslf into the water district. After it is once voted in, however, the affairs of the district are managed by a joint board. In such a board the Alvarado section will have but a small say. By voting themselves into the proposed district the Alvarado people will be practically surrendernig the future of their section into the hands of Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley. The only gainers will be these big cities who must look to the Alvarado section for their increased water supply. The Alvarado district also stands a chance to bear its portion of the debt which will be created to buy out the People's Water Company.

Thus it will vote away control of its water supply and also make itself liable to pay off a part of the debt created out of its own resources

And besides if that part of the fertile Alvarado section extending as far toward Centerville as the old Baker ranch is included in Oakland's water district, it will seriously divide the opposition which the people of our township might be expected to put up against the aggressions of the water companies.

San Francisco and the Spring Valley are getting very close to either a sale or a condemnation suit. Let us suppose San Francisco acquires the Spring Valley property and Ookland the People's Water Company. In the very nature of things if a Sierra supply is not brought to this section there must be a keen rivalry between the two big cities for our water supply. If the people of the township stand united their legal rights will enable them to hold both the large cities at bay. It will afford them a chance to force both the big cities to unite in one district and mutually go after a Sierra supply in earnest.

WHEN OAKLAND AND SAN FRANCISCO HAVE BECOME UNITED ON THE WATER SUPPLY QUESTION BY LAW, THEN IT WILL BE TIME ENOUGH TO VOTE OURSELVES INTO THE DISTRICT. TO DO SO BEFORE THEN IS TO VOTE OURSELVES THE EASY PREY TO OAKLAND'S NEEDS.

It would hardly seem necessary to state such a proposition, but when men like Roadmaster Farley Granger - Alvarado will circulate the petition asking the Alvarado people to vote themselves into Oakland's hands and when some of the most intelligent people of the Alvarado district have been obliging enough to sign the petition without investigation, the alarm which we feel for the safety of our entire township's water supply can well be imagined.

High School Notes

The basketball game in the Niles Congregational church gymnasium last Saturday afternoon between the Livermore and Centerville high school teams was rather one-sided and was easily won by Livermore. The score was about 97 to 23.

The result of the game was not a severe shock to the most enthusiastic supporters of Centerville, as the local Union High School boys have never displayed much enthusiasm over this line of sport and the Livermore team has already had a very successful tour of the state. It is hoped that enough spirit has been aroused by this defeat to prevent quite such an overwhelming score at the remaining games.

The Livermore High School second team and the Niles Gymnasium team furnished a little excitement after the close of the first game last Saturday. This game was rather a cross between football, basketball, and general rough-housing. One satisfactory feature, however, was that both of the contesting teams were perfectly schooled in the rules of the game, —whatever it was. The Livermore boys again carried off the honors. The score was 32 to 22*.

*NOTE—A good tackle counted 5 points.

This Saturday afternoon the Hayward and Centerville Union High School basketball teams will play in Hayward.

Newark

Jack Kipp, formerly of Quincy, Ill., and at present an employe at the Graham foundry, was taken ill with an attack of appendicitis Saturday night. He was taken to the Alameda Sanitarium by Dr. Emerson and was operated on Sunday night. He is reported as doing nicely.

The Newark Chamber of Commerce met last Monday night and after the close of the business session the members enjoyed a Dutch spread of frankfurters and sauerkaut.

Mrs. W. T. Yeaman made a visit to the city on Friday of last week.

Mrs. Boles has been spending a few days this week with her daughter Mrs. Sattler in the city.

Mr. Spencer made a week end visit to San Francisco.

Miss Hazel McCurdy spent Saturday in San Jose, returning home on Sunday morning.

Mr. Wyatt returned home Monday after a several weeks vacation trip spent in Mendota and other points in the San Joaquin valley.

Miss Tessie Moore of San Francisco who has been visiting in Newark with Mrs. Rose Lazzarini for the past few weeks, returned home Sunday afternoon by way of Dumbarton and Redwood City.

The little fourteen-month old child of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Owens is able to sit up after a three weeks serious illness with pneumonia. The little one has been under the care of Dr. L. A. Harcourt.

Edison Moving Picture Co. shows in Newark every Sunday night.

Trades His Mustache for Job as Waiter

Oakland Chamber of Commerce News Bureau to The Press.

OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 23, 1913—To trade a beautifully developed Kaiser Wilhelm mustache for a job as waiter in the new Hotel Oakland is the novel sacrifice of Z. Zoellner, a familiar figure to those who add color to the night life of Oakland's cafes. Zoellner's dream of triumphant choesn calling is realized as guest of Oakland's new two million dollar hostelry. His pride was the flowing hirsute adornment on his upper lip. Many an habitue of the cafes wherein he had served had complimented him upon its luxuriousness and commented that it gave him that appearance of distinguishment which so marks the ruler of his fatherland.

So Zoellner applied for the cherished job at the big hotel. He was told that he might be the best waiter in the land, but with that mustache nix. Smooth shaven waiters were the only ones who need apply. To cast aside his cherished ambition or sever himself from the flowing hirsute appendage on his upper lip, which has required years to cultivate, was the problem that confronted the waiter. He parted from the mustache. Again he applied for the hotel job and was successful. It was some days before the maitre d'hotel learned that his new acquisition was the man who had been turned away on account of his mustache. But Zoellner is still on the job. His old friends do not recognize him.

NILES GETS MORE STREET LIGHTS

The County Board of Supervisors last week granted three more street lights to Niles.

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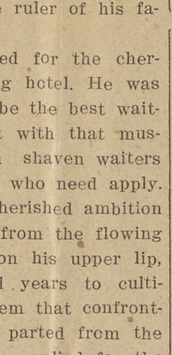

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9.50p	Rio Grande Eastern Exp....	
9.10a	Atlantic Coast Mail	10.33a

Toward San Francicso:

Lv. Niles		Ar. S. F.
5.45a	Pacific Coast Mail	7.30a
....	W. P. -- S. F. Exp.	8.45p
8.55a	Stockton Express	10.20a

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Alvarado

Mrs. F. C. Harvey and son were among the passengers on the morning train to the city last Saturday.

Mr. Martin Joseph made a business trip to the city on Friday of last week.

Mrs. A. Lund visited with her daughter in Newark on Tuesday.

Mrs. Farley and daughter Miss Beryl spent Saturday in the city.

Mrs. McCarty went to San Francisco on Wednesday.

Mrs. Farley entertained the Butt in Club on Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. Jung and daughters Mildred and Charlotte spent Saturday in the city.

Mrs. Robie, Miss Bunker and Mrs. May all visited in the city last Saturday.

Mrs. Dora Richmond was hostess to the Butt In Club last Monday.

Mrs. A. J. Rutherford spent Tuesday of this week in Oakland.

Mrs. Foley was in the city shopping last Monday.

Mrs. Harvey entertained a few ladies in honor of her birthday Monday afternoon.

Mr. Kaiser met with a painful accident last Sunday evening while at his work at the pumping station. His fourth finger on the right hand was caught in some machinery and it was found necessary to amputate it at the first joint. Dr. Emerson has been in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Tainton went to San Jose last Saturday. Mr. Tainton went on with Mr. Linderman to the oil fields near Fresno in which the latter is interested.

Miss Izabel Davilla accompanied her father to San Leandro and Hayward on a shopping trip last Monday.

Miss Mamie Davner returned from Alameda Monday.

Mrs. T. F. Mello and Mrs. M. Carey spent Tuesday in the city shopping.

E. A. Ricmond Sr. is recovering from his recent attack of la grippe.

Mrs. Tony Vargas entertained a few ladies Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Silver from Newark was a [illegible]itor in Alvarado Tuesday.

[illegible]e U. P. E. C. Band of Alvarado [illegible]ve two dances, one in Decoto [illegible] Hall on Satu[illegible]ght Sunday afternoon, Feb. 2. The music for both dances will be furnished by the U. P. E. C. band. Admission is 50 cents for gentlemen ond ladies free.

Mr. Nichol has an excellent position as engineer in the plant of the El Dorado Oil Works, of Oakland.

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Centerville

Mr. and Mrs. David Merell of San Jose and Mr. and Mrs. Hastings of San Jose were visitors over Saturday night and Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bell.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church met at the home of Mrs. F. O. Bunting on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. Kagey of Newark visited in Centerville at the Plummer home on Wednesday.

Mr Hastings, Mr. Merell, Mr. Bell and Percy Bell went duck hunting last Sunday and returned with the limit of ill luck stories.

W. E. Rogers and family spent Sunday in San Francisco and Oakland.

M. S. Simas made a business trip to San Jose on Wednesday.

Mr. Dias who has sold his place on the triangle road is contemplating a trip to Portugal in the Spring.

Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Mowry entertained in honor of Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Smith and daughter Miss Smith last Tuesday afternoon. A very pleasant afternoon was spent.

The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Frank King are all ill.

Tony de Oria , organizer of the Centerville band and a former resident of this section, was in town this week.

Tony Rezendes has been laid up with a bad cold this week.

Andrew Simas left Centerville on Monday after having worked for some time for F. S. Francis.

M. Lucio of the Gregory Hotel has had a bad cold this week.

Washington Parlor, No. 169, N. S. G. W. of Centerville, will install officers at a meeting on Tuesday night. They also expect to initiate two new members into the order. After the close fo the meeting a banquet will be enjoyed.

Tony Clarke has started a candy and ice cream parlor in the M. Silveria building next to the Bear Cat club.

Manuel George has recently purchased a new 5 passenger Buick automobile, electric lighted and self-starter.

Irvington

Miss Nellie Beardsley ofSan Francisco is visiting her mother Mrs. R. Irvine.

Wm. Peters of San Francisco was up Sunday to spend the day with his folks.

Mrs. Threlfall is spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Millard who has been quite sick.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Witherly were week-end visitors of friends in San Francisco and Oakland.

Mrs. E. Roderick and Mrs. C. Brewer spent Friday in San Jose.

Mr. John Driver and his former wife were remarried last week and will make their home in Irvington.

Edison Moving Picture Company shows in Irvington every Wednesday and Saturday night.

Laurence Thurkle and Randolph Griffin went on a duck hunt Saturday night but got instead aducking,

H. D. Ford visited in Irvington on Monday. He will make weekly trips to Irvington.

Mrs. Decoto spent Monday in the City. She salis on Feb. 6th for a trip around the world. She will not return with the members of her party, but will remain in Europe for two years study.

Mrs. Morris Brewer and daughter Mila spent the fist of the week with her mother Mrs. King.

T. J. Power made a business trip to the City Monday.

H. F. Weston has just finished installing a fine aer motor wind mill on the J. Durham ranch.

Miss Lizzie Guatadine of Mission San Jose visited with friends in Irvington this week.

Miss Myrtle MacPherson of Niles was the guest on Sunday of Miss Ethel Vanlinder.

Mrs. Ed Roderick and Mrs. Clay Brewer spent Sunday in Niles visiting with friends.

Frank Durham is visiting at the home of his grandfather Judge Durham for a short time. He has recently recovered from a sick spell.

Sumner Blacow spent the week-end in the city and attended "The Blue Bird" at the Cort.

A social dance is to take place in Maple Hall this Saturday evening, given by the young people of Irvington. Those in charge are Miss June Witherly, Miss Josephine Blacow, Miss Mildred Griffin Miss Frances Peters and Miss Gordon.

Mr. an' Mrs. Knudsen spent the week-end in San Jose.

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It is repor[illegible] tha[illegible] three inches of rain fell during the storm of last week.

The dance to be given by the Chamber of Commerce on February 22 in Maple Hall gives promise of being a unique affair. The enlarged committee of arrangements is busy preparing for the affair. At the meeting of the Chamber last Monday night it was decided to start a coures in parliamentary education at the meetings of the Chamber of Commerce. The meeting Monday was a very enthusiastic and harmonious one.

John Murphy of Wane spent several days with T. Power.

T. Power spent Wednesday in the city.

Mrs. Power and son Tom spent Monday in Oakland.

Maggie Brite of Warm Springs was a visitor in Irvington Monday.

Mr. G. Olinda spent the week-end in San Jose.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Horner spent Sunday visiting M. Horner's mother.

Mrs. T. Power went to San Jose Wednesday to be present at the wedding of a friend.

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Niles Notes

Fred Dassel spent Sunday at home with his folks. He left on Monday for a month at Napa.

Mrs. R. F. Morgan has been on the sick list this week and under the care of Dr. McKown.

Mr. Miles Smith s pent Saturday and Monday in San Jose.

Harry Walker is able to be about again after an attack of grip.

Mrs. J. A. Easterday is doing very nicely and his many friends hope to see him out soon.

The three children of the Cahill family have been suffering from an attack of chicken pox.

Mrs. Clay Brewer and Mrs. Ed. Roderick and daughter Evelyn were guests of Mrs. Nelson on Sunday.

Manue' DeEstrella is at work again after a very serious sick spell.

Mrs. Hill spent Saturday in San Frncisco.

Mrs. E. L. Chittenden and Mrs. D. Velsir went to Oakland (to-day) Friday to be present at the banquet given by the Northern California Wisconsin Association at the Key Route Inn on that evening. The speaker of the evening was Congressman McKinley on the Panama Canal.

Mrs. H. R. Hunt has cards out for an evening at cards on Friday Jan. 31st on which occasion she will entertain the friends who united in making them a handsome gift on the recent occasion of Mr. and Mrs. Hunt's s' ver wedding anniversary.

The first almond blossoms of the season have opened at Belvoir, several trees being already beautiful with blossoms.

Mrs. W. H. Tyson visited with friends in Oakland and Alameda several days during the past week.

Mrs. Caroline Ward of Berkeley is a guest this week of friends in Niles.

Mrs. Mayhew returned on Tuesday from a four days visit with her daughter Mrs. Cobb in San Francisco, attending both "The Blue Bird' a+ the Cort, and "Ben Hur" at the Columbia theatre. Mrs. Mayhew's friend sare glad to learn that she was only slightly injured in the accident last Saturday morning at the railroad station.

Mr. Kirke has been quite ill recently and last Wednesday was removed to the Alameda Sanitarium for examination in regard to a second surgical operation. Mr. Kirke has never wholly recovered from the effects of the operation for appendicitis over two years ago.

The friends of Mrs. V. E. Battles in Niles will be saddened tolearn of her death in Santa Cruz on Tuesday, January 20th. Mr. and Mrs. Battles resided in Niles some months of last year, while Mr. Battles was employed in building here. Their home is in Boulder Creek, Santa Cruz Co.

The Ladies Guild will meet next G[illegible] met last Wednesday afternoon in the Guild Hall. Twelve ladies were present though the day was showery and unpleasant. When needles were laid aside, all gathered about the table to enjoy the light refreshments served by Mrs. Ben Tyson, the hostess of the afternoon. The next meeting will follow in two weeks.

Early vegetables, peas and potatoes, have received a good start by the recent rains, and are coming on apace with the season.

The Mayhew orange crop is now being harvested, not having been injured in the least by the late cold spell and heavy frosts.

Miss Grace Ellis has been visiting with friends about the Bay for the past week, witnessing Ben-Hur, The Blue Bird and other theatrical productions, and hearing Madame Sembrich in concert.

The familiar face of A. T. Ames is seen again on our streets. He states that Niles is an agreeable change from the snowy scenes of Oregon.

Mr. H. A. Mayhew spent last Friday in the city.

Miss Edna Sharpe and Miss Florence Sharpe attended the Oakland High School dance given at the Hotel Oakland on Saturday evening. They were also guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crosby at Key Route Inn over Sunday.

Mrs. L. Brown of Oakland spent Friday with her mother Mrs. E. Clarke.

Mrs. Eberly spent Wednesday in in San Jose.

Mrs. Breeding spent Thursday in Oakland.

Mrs. R. Drennan and Mrs. J. Fayle spent Monday in Oakland.

Miss Grace Glover of Santa Cruz spent a few days last week at the home fo her brother Mr. Glover.

Reavely & Glover handle a splendid list of magazines. Among the Feb ruary numbers you will find McClures Ainslees, Argosy, Cavalier Popular Popular Mechanics, American, Snappy Stories, Sunset, Baseball, Technical World, Moving Picture World, Rounder, Modern Electrics, Cosmopolitan, Blue Book, Red Book. and Gr en Book, Ladies Home Journal, Good Housekeeping, Outing, Life, Railroad Man's Magazine, Modern Pricilla and others.

Mrs. Joe Avilla was taken to the Alameda sanitarium last Wednesday for an operation.

Raymond Orpin left Tuesday afternoon for a stay of two weeks in the city.

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Decoto

The dance given by the Decoto council of the U. P. E. C. last Saturday evening was a very pleasant affair and despite the rain was also a success financially. The prize for the best waltzing was awarded to Mss Rose Kelly and Mr. Sorensen. The committee in charge deserve praise for the able manner in which they managed the affair.

The young people of the Decoto Catholic church are preparing an entertainment to be given immediately after Lent.

Mrs. H. S. Crocker has been spending the past week in the city and expects to visit her old home in Sydney Australia during the coming summer.

L. D. Pugh of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, has accepted a position with the Essex Lumber company and will probably move his family here later on.

H. R. Sanders who is also from Murfreesboro, arrived in Decoto last Saturday and is at present acting as book keeper for the Essex Lumber company.

Miss Isobel Whipple leaves Sunday for Fresno. She has been engaged as teacher in a district near that place.

The Decoto baseball team is arranging to have their grounds enclosed during the coming season. They are talking of using the Frank Goulart field.

H. Hollschuher is contemplating a trip to Sacramento in the near future and may take a position there.

Henry May, president of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of Washington Township, attended the big banquet held under the auspices of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce last Wednesday evening.

Justice of the Peace T. S. Fereira has been confined to his home in Oakland this week with a severe cold. For a time it was feared he would be a victim of pneumonia. He will be back at his office in Decoto next Monday.

MOVING PICTURES

Griffin & Kerrigan will show Tolstoy's "Resurrection" at Mission San Jose Saturday night. Admission 25c.

Edison Moving Picture company will show 'The Spy' a Vitagraph production at Niles Monday, Alvarado, Tuesday, and Irvington, Wednesday. This picture is a three reel special —a war drama of the French and the Arabs. I+ abounds in interest.

Saturday night in Niles an Essanay featuring Mr. Anderson in 'Wife of The Hills'; also a Vitagraph, very interesting pictur-, entitled 'Red Rube.'

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many friends for their sympathy and kindness and also for the beautiful floral offerings tendered us during our recent bereavement, and especially to the I. O. K. M. of Crockett and Palo Alto and the U. P. E. C. of Alvarado.

Mrs. Louisa H. Allguire and family.

DEATH OF J. R. ALLGUIRE

The death of Mr. J. R. Alguire, a pioneer resident of Alvarado, occurred on Monday of this week in Palo Alto. Mr. Allguire had been ailing for several months and for the past few weeks had been very low at a hospital in Palo Alto. The funeral services were held from the home on Wednesday morning, with interment in Mt. Eden.

A more extended notice will appear next week.

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